

**Washington, DC** – Congressman Sanford D. Bishop, Jr. (GA-02) tonight released the following statement after President Obama delivered his State of the Union address to a Joint Session of Congress.

“The President delivered an impressive, sincere and realistic speech about the challenges we face and what we must do to meet these challenges. He reiterated tonight that while our economy and our country are beginning to move in the right direction, we still have a long way to go before our economy fully recovers.

“I was encouraged to hear him restate his commitment to working with both sides of the aisle to get our fiscal house in order. Solving our budgetary challenges will require both Democrats and Republicans to come together to guarantee that the 21<sup>st</sup> century is defined as the American century, and I look forward to working with the Administration to address these challenges.”

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